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New Brockton's Rescue Squad ceases operation on Feb. 1st

by Marvin McIlwain
Elba Clipper Editor

Monday evening, the New Brockton's City Council was in formed by Councilman Laymon Tindol that the rescue squad, as of February 1, had ceased operation.

Tindol stated that it was a hard decision to make, but it was one that had to be made.

According to Tindol, the squad has fallen below AARS (Alabama Association of Rescue Squad) minimum standards of operation.

The squad has been operating in a "below standard mode" for the past several months and it was decided to cease operation before being told to do so or before losing its AARS sanction.

The lack of "people power" was the major problem facing the squad according to Tindol.

"We need a minimum of ten licensed squad members, EMT's (Emergency Medical Technicians), to make the squad fully operational," said Tindol.

He said the squad had gotten down to only four or five EMT's willing to give the necessary time and that just wasn't enough to remain operational.

"Financially and equipmentwise the squad is in great shape," said Tindol. "Our ambulance is paid for, we have money with which to operate, and we have plenty of equipment - we just don't have the people," he continued.

Tindol told the councilmen that the Elba and Enterprise Rescue Squads have agreed to support them as much as possible in responding to calls in the New Brockton area, but response time would be slower than it would be if there was a local squad operating.

State EMS (Emergency Medical Services) has told the New Brockton Squad officials that they will work with them in assisting them in once again establishing the local squad.

The squad has several pieces of equipment on loan to them from EMS and they have been told to retain the equipment in hopes that they will soon be back in operation.

Tindol told the councilmen that the squad's equipment will continue to be maintained by the remaining squad members. The squad has one fully equipped emergency response vehicle (ambulance).

"I hope that with the squad's ceasing to operate, people will realize just how important it is to the community and that volunteers will come forward," stated Tindol.

"According to the (state) records, there are fourteen (14) EMT's with New Brockton addresses, we need them ALL to step forward," Tindol commented.

A few months ago, the city council agreed to pay tuition for any individual wishing to take and complete the required training for becoming a licensed EMT. The only stipulation was that the individual would commit to two (2) years of service to the New Brockton Rescue Squad. There was no response.

New Brockton's rescue squad was organized in the lateral part of 1979. In other matters, the city councilmen were reminded that the next regular meeting would be held on Tuesday, February 19 instead of Monday, February 18. Monday will be a holiday, President's Day.

Mayor Pro Tem Bud Goodson, who presided over the meeting in the absence of Mayor Jim Driskill, asked for a vote in approving the city's bills totaling \$2,553.97 and a discussion ensued.

Councilman Charles Cole questioned a bill for \$390.45 received from Cassidy Fuller & Marsh Attorneys. A letter which accompanied the bill, stated that "these charges had been overlooked when preparing the final request for payment for services rendered." Kenneth Fuller, who is an attorney with the law firm, had served as the city's attorney prior to resigning several months ago.

The charges were for court ap-

pearances in the Truitt & Foster trial on February 14, 1990 and court appearance in appeal cases for Truitt & Foster on April 16, 1990.

"I just want the record to show," said Cole, "that I'm not in favor of paying this bill!"

Councilmen Bud Goodson, Laymon Tindol, and Ralph Medley voted to pay the bills. Councilman Charles Cole voted against paying the bills because the attorneys' bill was included in the payment, and Councilman Ladon Smith abstain since he was not a member of the council at the time the bill was incurred.

After approving the use of the city's ballpark by the high school's girls' softball team (daytime use with a schedule furnished to the city), the council adjourned.

Scroll of Honor

Fire destroys Ye Old Hickory Pit

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PLEADS GUILTY TO LESSER CHARGE - FREED FROM PRISON

No new trial for Ladonna Lynn Huddleston Tucker

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There will be no new trial for Ladonna Lynn Huddleston Tucker, 43, a former Coffee County resident charged with murder.

Mrs. Tucker was charged with murder in the January 24, 1981, slaying of her husband Sgt. Jimmy Eugene Tucker.

Sgt. Tucker's charred body was

found in a burned out pick-up truck near Kinston in southeast Coffee County.

On Wednesday, January 30, 1991, in a hearing before Circuit Judge Gary McAllely, Mrs. Tucker entered a guilty plea to a lesser charge of criminal solicitation to commit murder. Her fourth trial for the murder of her husband had been set for February 25, 1991 in Pike County.

Under the Split Sentence Act, Judge McAllely sentenced Mrs. Tucker to five years in prison and five years probation. She has already served more than five years since her arrest in 1981; therefore, she was taken to Julia Tutwiler Prison for Women, near Wetumpka, to be processed out. At this writing, Mrs. Tucker should be free on probation.

For any reason with in the next years, Mrs. Tucker violates the provisions of her probation, she will be returned to prison to serve the remainder of her sentence.

DA Investigator Bruce Devane reportedly stated that prior to accepting Mrs. Tucker's plea, the state took into consideration that if once again she was found guilty of murder, she would be eligible for parole within three years. Also, the state was reportedly having difficulty in locating two witnesses.

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DEFENDANTS PLEAD GUILTY

Cases handled without jury

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On Monday at 9:00 a.m., a Coffee County Circuit Court - Elba Division was convened to hear pending criminal cases.

The presiding judge for the 12 Judicial District was the Honorable Terry L. Butts with the state being represented by Assistant District Attorney Al Smith.

After approximately two hours in chambers with the state's attorney and defense attorneys, Judge Butts came out and dismissed all those who had been summoned for jury duty.

He stated that it appeared all the cases would be settled without the necessity of trial by jury, but he "thanked them" for their willingness to serve.

"Without your presence, some of these cases would not have been settled as easily as they were," said Butts.

Those cases resolved by the courts Monday morning were as follows:

State of Alabama

Kimmie Daniels, Jr.
Charged with theft of property, 1st. Disposition: Plead guilty to theft of property, 2nd and was sentenced to 15 years as habitual offender.

State of Alabama

Fredrick Waters
AKA/Sport, AKA/Iceman
Charged with the unlawful possession of controlled substance (cocaine). Disposition: Plead guilty and was sentenced to 2 years in the penitentiary.

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Fredrick Waters
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Charged with two (2) offenses of

unlawful distribution of controlled substance (cocaine). Disposition: Plead guilty and was sentenced to 5 years in the penitentiary for each offense.

State of Alabama

Jerry Wilson
AKA/Jerry Siler, AKA Shordog
Charged with two (2) offenses of distribution of controlled substance (cocaine). Disposition: Plead guilty as habitual offender - sentencing continued to February 26, 1991.

State of Alabama

Richard Thomas
Charged with two (2) offenses of unlawful distribution of controlled substance (marijuana) and one offense of attempting to commit a controlled substance crime. Disposition:

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Burns urges the pick-up of paid trailer decals

Revenue Commissioner Ronnie Burns said Tuesday that mobile home owners who mailed in their decal money need to come in and pick up their decals.

He added that all mobile homes must have a decal displayed and if anyone hasn't paid their fees, they need to contact the Revenue Commissioner's office right away.

Burns also said that those who have not paid their property tax need to do so before February 14th to avoid additional penalties.

Burns said that this year new higher charges will be added to these late property taxes after the 14th.

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BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

We continue to read horror stories of telephone bills in the multi-thousands of dollars because of children calling those much advertised "900" numbers. We suggest that anyone with a child around (maybe even those without children also) ask the telephone company to "block out" the ability to make those "900" calls. A person can easily run up a bill of several thousand dollars in a month. We recently read of a case of a 15 year old using over \$40 thousand of calls to one "900" number in a single month and before his parents became aware of what was happening!

We need your help. People continue to ask us for the mailing addresses of area service people serving in the Middle East war. If you will get us those addresses, we will be happy to pass them on to their friends and other interested local citizens who might wish to write an encouraging letter.

There is a proposal being floated around to pass a law increasing the military leave time (with pay) in all state, county and municipal jobs for national guard and reserve troops. We can take either side of that argument. Right now we would readily agree to helping those called to defend our country in the Middle East. The present law allows them 21 days of military leave without any loss of pay while on the government payroll. There are already cases of this potential time off added to regular leave time and sick leave resulting in someone else being hired to fill a job opening. We suggest any law being passed be designed to cover those in the present Middle East war only and not a permanent fixture that cost a lot more money and further interferes with work schedules and causes unspoken barriers to securing jobs.

Our comments last week critical of the news media covering the war was in line with the majority of Americans. Recent polls show most Americans think the military should take a hard line toward some of the hardheaded (stupid) reporters. The public also seems to agree with this country boy that giving a platform to that nut in Iraq is not exactly to the liking of U. S. citizens. We watched a talk show during the weekend in which news reporters were defending themselves. When one would talk about restrictions interfering with their job, etc., we found ourselves talking back to the tube and asking them just what defined their job as having priority over everything else. We think that "most probably" U. S. citizens have been spoiled by too much of the "good life." This tends to cause us to push ourselves into expecting some things that are impractical when these sudden changes come along.

The increase in postage to 29¢ for a first class letter is reality. That is how much it cost today to mail a letter. Time has really flown since the day when the 3¢ stamp would mail a letter. It seems like it was only a few weeks ago we were buying penny postcards . . . for a penny! Now we aren't advocating an immediate return to those days, because overall things are much better today than during those days. It does puzzle us however as to how cost can continue to rise and rise and rise while we still hear horror stories about breakdowns in the mail delivery.

Elba Mayor Fred Moore was going door-to-door Wednesday evening in Riverview assuring residents the river stage was not predicted to get high enough to cause them any damage. That was probably good public relations for city officials. If people had looked at the overall rainfall they would have known we didn't have a third the rain of last March, but our office started getting calls from people with flood concerns about noon Tuesday. We understand the worry and that is why we kept up with the amount of the rainfall. There is still some major work needed on the levee and this is where the public comes in. People need to call or write the Corp of Engineers, their U. S. Congressmen, Senator, etc. Bills were passed to do a study on the long term needs but the experts all say that work is needed on the core of the levee so let's get it done. This will take many thousands of dollars and the Corp of Engineers must get this money from congress . . . round and round we go.

P.S. Senator Heflin will be in Elba at a breakfast next Wednesday morning. He will be talking about the Elba flood . . . be nice, but encourage him to get the Corp moving.

The University of Alabama football running back from Geneva, Siran Stacy, reportedly "surprised" coaches, etc. when he decided to remain at the University of Alabama another year and NOT turn pro. What surprised us was that he would think the pros would be interested, since he is still recovering from a knee injury. In fact he will not even take part in spring drills at the university because the knee is still healing.

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They Are:

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Perry Barnes
Ronnie Williams
Steven Tabbutt
Troy Kelley
Marice Ellard
Willie Frank Robinson
Roger Bohner
Bobby Jackson
Delane Holloway
Michael Paul Ferguson
George B. Seay, Jr.
Joel L. Koon
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Scott Gwin
Anthony Coleman
Ronald Yohn
Richard Coon
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David L. Smart
Frank Quan
Richard Brunson Jr.
Leroy Cole Jr.
Erasmus Magwood
Vince Fortune
Huey Daniels
Robert Beck
A. Z. Stoudemire
Diane Hall
Charlie Tillis, Jr.
Valerie Oggs Woods
Philip H. Ray Jr.
Ralph Hornsby

Please let us know of other names we need to add to this ever growing list which is updated weekly. ALSO, we have had requests for the addresses of those listed above from people wishing to write letters to them - If you know their addresses please write or call them in to the Clipper office.

POLICE REPORT

The Elba Police Department during January 29, investigated the following incidents: one menacing, one assault, three public intoxication, one burglary, one theft of property, one harassing communication and one destruction of property.

Arrests made during the same period of time were as follows: eight for speeding, one for driver's license required, two for assault, one for menacing, two for public intoxication, and one for failure to appear.

Daily activity for the week was as follows:

TUESDAY, JAN. 29 - Wreck on Hwy. 189N. (6:47 a.m.); Rescue run to the Peoples Bank parking lot (10:26 p.m.); Routine activity.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 30 - Automobile fire on Hwy. 87N (8:49 a.m.); Rescue run to Hardee's (12:04 p.m.); Fire at the Hickory Pt. (8:15 p.m.); Wreck on Hwy. 84W (8:25 p.m.).

THURSDAY, JAN. 31 - Rescue run to residence on Brunson's Circle (10:22 a.m.); Routine activity.

FRIDAY, FEB. 1 - Rescue run to residence on Elm St. (1:27 p.m.); Routine activity.

TSU RECEIVES GRANT
Alabama Electric Cooperative, Inc. has awarded a grant of \$45,300 to Troy State University for the purpose of conducting a cultural resource assessment of four transmission line projects.

Projects include lines from Opp to Liberty in Covington and Geneva Counties; Camer to Liberty in Geneva County; Dublin to Fuller in Montgomery, Pike, and Crenshaw Counties; and Andalusia Industrial Park to Pine Wood Road in Covington County.

The purpose of the surveys is to locate all cultural resources that will be impacted by the construction of the four transmission lines. Troy State University must complete the survey before August 31, 1991.

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MARY ROWE

Mary Ella Rowe, 90, of Elba, died Wednesday, January 30, 1991 in Humana Hospital in Enterprise, Alabama.

Funeral services were held at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, February 2, 1991 at Hayes Funeral Home Chapel, Rev. Roy Fuller and Rev. Ned Young officiated in the service with Hayes directing. Burial was in the Damascus Baptist Church Cemetery.

Survivors include one daughter, Jane Mack of Elba; one son, Dr. Richard A. Rowe of Huntsville, Alabama; six grandchildren.

NANNIE DANFORD
Nannie Danford, 90, of Damascus Community, died February 1, 1991. Services were held Sunday, February 3, 1991 at the Chapel of Seary Funeral Home at 3:30 p.m. Burial followed in Damascus Baptist Church Cemetery, with Rev. J.J. Hattaway officiating and Seary Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include four sisters, Mrs. Linnie Mae Bonner of Enterprise, Mrs. Jessie Howell of Kinston, Mrs. Hattie Pearl Danford of Opp, Mrs. Ruth Thomas of Crescent City, Florida; four grandsons, Charles Danford, Libertytown, Maryland; Ray Danford, Damascus Community; Ronnie Danford, Enterprise; Ricky Danford, Damascus Community; eight great-grandchildren; and 3 great-great-grandchildren.

JEFF WATSON, SR.
Mr. Jeff Watson, Sr., 82, of Panama City, Florida died January 28, 1991 at his home. He was a native of Elba, Alabama.

Services were held Saturday, February 2, 1991 at 2:00 p.m. at Greater Bethel African Methodist Episcopal Church, Panama City, Florida with Rev. La Tanya Warren Floyd, pastor, officiating. Burial followed in Garden of Memories Cemetery, Panama City, Florida.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Christine Purvis Watson; sons, Jeff (Sara) Watson, Jr., Panama City; John D. (Blonnie) Watson of Fayetteville, NC; Daward (JoAnn) Ziyad of Tacoma Park, Maryland; Thomas (Ella) Livingston of Riverside, CA; daughters, Mattie (Rev. A.R. Rogers) of Port St. Joe, Florida; Jessie (Wilbert) White of Panama City; one sister, Mrs. Nettie Ruth (Dennis) Hogan, Enterprise; nephew, Ruby D. Watson of Enterprise; grandchildren, sisters-in-law, Katie Brooks, Opp; Edna (Johnnie) McBride, Orlando, Florida; and Geneva Watson, New Port News, Virginia; brothers-in-law, Alfonso Purvis, John Nelson Purvis, and Lemon Bass.

LOUISE MCINTOSH
Mrs. Louise McIntosh, 70, of South Bay, Florida, died January 19, 1991 at Henry General Hospital, Clearwater, Florida. She was a native of Elba, Alabama.

Services were held Saturday, January 26, 1991 at 2:00 p.m. at the First Holiness Church of the Living God, South Bay, Florida. Bishop Willie L. Wisper officiating. Red-dick Funeral Home directing. Burial followed in Washington Memorial Cemetery, Clearwater, Florida.

Survivors include a son, Mr. Lamar Phillips of Belle Glade, Florida; two brothers, Mr. Frank Phillips of Elba, and Mr. Fred Phillips of Miami, Florida; five sisters, Mrs. Flossie Mae Vessel, Vassie Mae Evans, Fannie Flash all of Clearwater, Florida; Evelyn Henry of Hartford, CT; and Catherine Darby of Palm Coast, Florida; one sister-in-law, Mrs. Julia Phillips of Elba; six grandchildren.

ELBA GENERAL HOSPITAL REPORT

Elba General Hospital reported the following admission during the period of January 29 through February 4, 1991:

They were: Sheila Parrish, Hazel Parker, Becky Bragg, Ollie Hussey, Robbie Graham, Jacob Forbes, Iris Tanks, John Coleman, Onell Coon, Faddie Hill, Annie Hall, Ida Hudson, Ruth Parrish, Gwendolyn Rayborn, Tura Free, Eunice Crawley, James Cook, Michelle Maddox, Henry Crook and Bell Cape Ham.

Patients discharged during the same period of time were as follows: Joy Lee, Cecil Carter, Minnie Lindsey, Thelma Crook, Erza Kelley, Gwendolyn Rayborn, Sheila Parrish, Bonnie Hudson, Jessie Fuller, Essie Bell, Ollie Hussey, Becky Bragg, Iris Tanks, Hazel Parker and Robbie Graham.

Bulletin Board

S.S. REP. Courthouse, 4th Tues. 12:30-1:30. Call PRUE 1-800-962-8772.
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EASTERN STAR - 2nd & 4th Thurs. 7 p.m. - 8 p.m. - 1000 N. Hwy. 84.
ELBA MINISTRIAL ASSN. - Thurs. 8 a.m. - 9 p.m. - 1000 N. Hwy. 84.
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ELBA CITY COUNCIL - 2nd & 4th Mondays - 2:15 p.m. - City Hall.
LIONS CLUB - 1st & 3rd Tues. - 6:30 p.m. - Ranch House Restaurant.
ELBA CITY SCHOOL BOARD - 1st Thurs. 7:30 p.m. - 8 p.m. - 1000 N. Hwy. 84.
AMERICAN LEGION - 1st Thurs. 7:30 p.m. - Legion Hall, Troy Hwy.
BOY SCOUTS - Mon. 7 p.m. - 777.
RESCUE SQUAD - 2nd & 4th Tues. 7 p.m. - Fire Station.
WATER & ELECTRIC - 2nd Mon. 5:15 p.m. - City Hall.
MASSONIC LODGE 176 - 1st & 3rd Mon. each month - 7 p.m. - AA - Wed. 8 p.m. & Sun. 6 p.m. - 777.
BAND BOOSTERS - 1st Mon. 7 p.m. - Band Room.
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Guilty (Continued from Page One)

Plead guilty and was sentenced as a habitual offender to 15 years in the penitentiary.

State of Alabama Vs. Stanley Barnes

Charged with the attempt to commit a controlled substance crime. Disposition: Plead guilty and sentenced to two (2) years in the penitentiary - to serve one (1) month, balance to be probation.

State of Alabama Vs. Mary Jean Caldwell

AKA/Leanne Baby. Charged with the unlawful disposition of controlled substance (cocaine). Disposition: Plead guilty - sentencing continued to February 26, 1991.

State of Alabama Vs. Charles Caldwell

AKA/CC. Charged with the unlawful distribution of controlled substance (cocaine). Disposition: Plead guilty - sentencing continued to February 26, 1991.

State of Alabama Vs. Kathy Burks

Charged with the unlawful distribution of controlled substance (marijuana). Disposition: Continued on motion by defendant - defendant is on trial in Troy, AL.

State of Alabama Vs. Gene Beasley

Charged with the unlawful distribution of controlled substance (marijuana). Disposition: Continued on motion by defendant - defendant is on trial in Troy, AL.

State of Alabama Vs. Mary Smith Home

Charged with the unlawful possession of marijuana, 1st degree. Disposition: Plead guilty - sentencing continued to February 26, 1991.

State of Alabama Vs. Grover Edward Smith

Charged with four (4) offenses of burglary, 3rd degree. Disposition: Continued - Defendant is in prison in North Alabama and was not available for trial.

Assistant D.A. Al Smith stated that Elba Police Chief Freddy Hancock, Elba Investigator Donnie Byrd, who is attached to the 12th Judicial District Drug Task Force, and other law enforcement officers, who can't be identified for obvious reasons, are to be commended for their work in the above drug cases.

"It was a pleasure to prosecute these cases," said Smith.

Litter (Continued from Page One)

Mrs. Fields called for an end of the infestation of the litterbugs and said as the population becomes more environmentally conscious, people who are recycling their trash are starting to be viewed as fashionable. She called for all citizens and organizations to join with the State Department of Education in making a difference and cleaning up Alabama.

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Heather Parrish Shower Changed

Due to the recent fire at the Hickory Pit, the Heather Parrish miscellaneous bridal shower will be held at the Elba United Methodist Church Education Building, February 9, 1991, from two until half past three.

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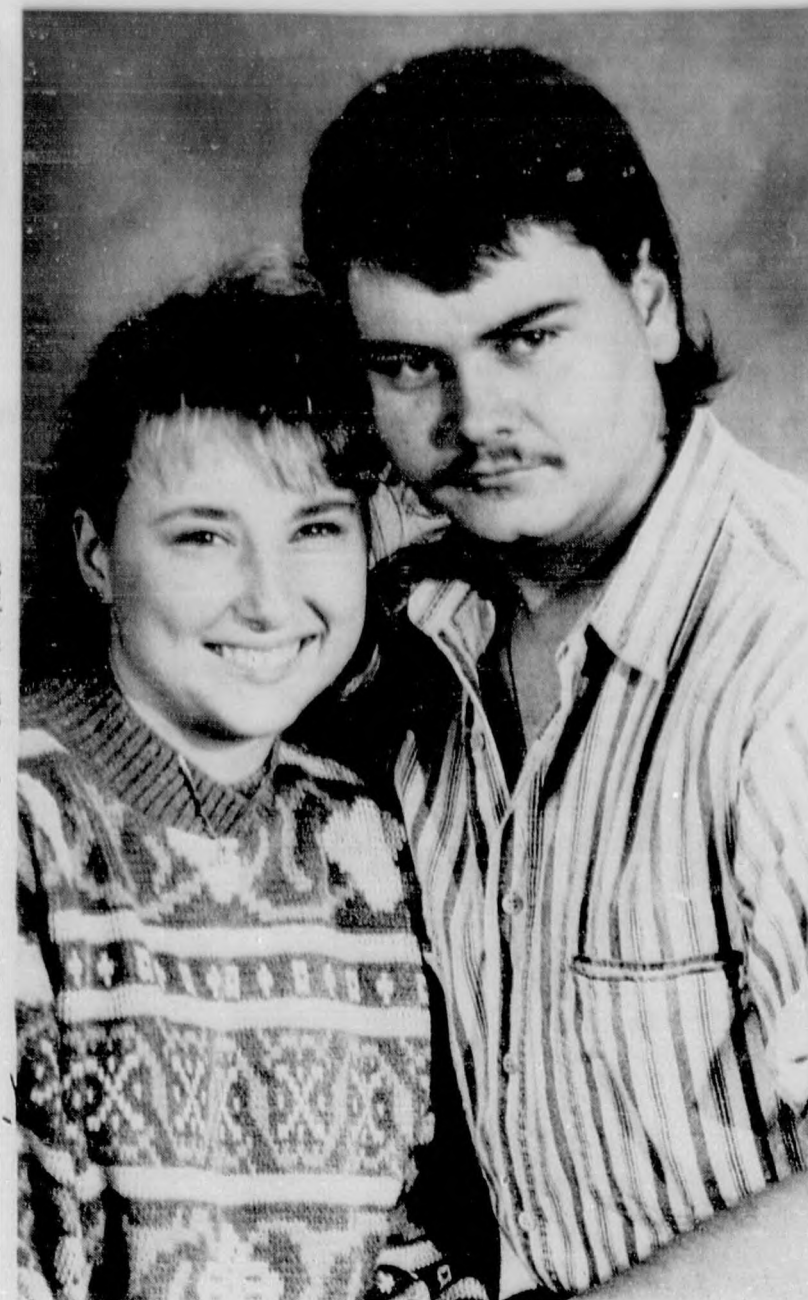
Social News

January Meeting Of The Azalea Garden Club Held

The Azalea garden Club met January 9th in the lovely home of Mrs. Patrick O'Reilly. She and co-hosts, Mrs. Lloyd Crook, served delicious refreshments to Mrs. Jim Driscoll, Mrs. Walter Cox, Mrs. Oscar Vaughan, Mrs. Robert Holliman, Mrs. Sonny Inman, Mrs. Y.D. McCreary, Mrs. Bill Brunson, and Mrs. Jeff Benbow.

President Driscoll opened the meeting with a discussion of the amount of litter on the roadsides in Elba and the need to alert the public that littering is a punishable offense of the law. Mrs. O'Reilly read several letters of correspondence to the members. During the officer and committee reports the conservation chairman, Mrs. McCreary, led a discussion with members concerning a location and type of tree to be planted by the club members in February in celebration of Arbor Day. Members voted to honor The Peoples Bank with the January "Yard Of The Month" award in appreciation of work done to their grounds since the flood.

Mrs. Bill Brunson presented a very interesting program to the club on how to make living flower arrangements for your own enjoyment, special occasions, and as gifts. She displayed two beautiful living arrangements in a crystal dome shared by Mrs. Inman, an amazing Amaryllis belonging to Mrs. O'Reilly, and beautiful pink blossoms cut from Mrs. McCreary's seedling Cherry Tree.



Miss Dye, Mr. Hammett

Miss Dye To Marry Mr. Hammett February 23

Mr. Charles David Dye of Enterprise and Ms. Debbie Blackmon Dye of Elba are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Traci Lynne Dye, to Mark Timothy Hammett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Willie Derrill Hammett of Dozier.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dye of Enterprise, and Mr. Jesse Blackmon of Ruidledge, and Mrs. Charlotte Blackmon of Elba.

The prospective groom is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hammett of Dozier, and Mrs. Audrey Slawson and the late Ellis Slawson of Elba.

The wedding will take place February 23, at the First Baptist Church of Dozier, at 6 o'clock p.m. The ceremony will be performed by Pastor Charles Parker.

No local invitations are being sent. All friends and relatives are invited to attend.

Applications Being Taken For Piney Woods Festival

Applications for artists wishing to show at the 17th Annual Piney Woods Arts Festival and Quilt Show to be held Saturday and Sunday, April 20 and 21 are now being accepted.

The Piney Woods Arts Festival is a juried show and the artist's work must be pre-approved before being admitted to the show, either by samples of the artist's work, pictures or slides.

The Festival Committee regulates the number of artists in the various categories so there will not be a preponderance of one type of craft offered. A variety of quality work is a hallmark of the festival, guaranteeing sales of the artists' work and assuring their return to the Enterprise area each year.

For more information regarding the arts festival, call Carol or Alex Koonen at 205-347-5616 or write P. O. Box 1242, Enterprise, Ala. 36333.

Quilt show information may be obtained from Lavenia Helms at 205-347-6150.

Celebrity Grocer Bagger Event Planned By Heart Association

As part of the 1991 American Heart Campaign, the Coffee County-Enterprise Division of the American Heart Association will kick off the local drive with a Celebrity Grocer Bagger event, it was announced this week by Chuck Lepore, County Development Chairman.

The Celebrity Grocer Bagger event will be held at the Food World Grocery Store on February 16, from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. These local celebrities will be bagging groceries for "TIPS" which will go toward the Coffee County-Enterprise Heart Association goal.

The top celebrity bagger will win a "Dinner for Two" at a local restaurant.

'Eat Your Heart Out' Coming To ESJC Dinner Theatre

Charlie, an out of work actor who is currently working as a waiter, is the central character in "Eat Your Heart Out," a three act comedy to be presented in a dinner-theater setting at Enterprise State Junior College on February 15 and 16. The play, set in New York City, was written by Nick Hall.

Tickets for the production are on sale and may be purchased at the information booth in the lobby of the college's administration building. Call 393-ESJC or 1-800-874-3399 for more information.

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Ashlei Moore Celebrates Fifth Birthday

Ashlei Moore turns five on January 25. Ashlei celebrated her birthday at her home in Wiesbaden Germany. She was given a party and cook-out by her parents, Jackie and James Stepp.

Ashlei is also the daughter of Roger Moore, of Elba. She had 22 guests helping her celebrate her special day. Everyone enjoyed games, hamburgers, hot dogs, cup cakes, ice cream, chips and punch. Ashlei received many nice gifts.

Coffee County Arts Alliance To Present Al Hirt Concert

Al Hirt to Perform in Enterprise

The Coffee County Arts Alliance will present Al Hirt and his band in a concert of vintage Dixieland jazz at the Enterprise High School auditorium at 7:30 p.m., February 9, 1991.

From international concert stages to Bourbon Street in his home town of New Orleans, Al Hirt is one of the greatest trumpet virtuoso of all time. He is a consummate entertainer as well, delighting audiences and winning new fans everywhere with the warmth and wit of his personality.

In concert with his quartet and in concert with the Boston Pops, New York Philharmonic, Alabama Symphony and others, Al Hirt is truly the man with the horn.

Advance sale tickets are \$13.00 (adult), \$8.00 (student) and may be purchased at Plain 'N' Fancy, Glover Avenue, Enterprise; ITT Office, Ft. Rucker; and The Jewel Box, Elba. A limited number of tickets will be on sale at the door for \$15.00 and \$10.00.

Holly Wilkerson Wins Al. Young Women Of Year

Holly Wilkerson, a senior at Enterprise High School, won college grant awards amounting to nearly \$100,000 from several colleges and universities, among them Troy State University, Livingston University, Huntingdon College, Mobile College and Jackson College.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walt Wilkerson, she is DECA Southeast District Vice President, Junior Miss Dance of Alabama, Georgia and Tennessee, Girls State alternate, and is a member of the National Honor Society, and Spanish Club. She also is a recipient of the University of Alabama Scholastic Achievement Award. She is a member of First Baptist Church and plans to attend the University of Alabama.

Personal

Eric Crook was driven to Tallahassee, Florida on Saturday, January 26, by Lesa Crook, to meet her daughter at the airport. She and her daughter, Rhettia Schmidt, flew to Charlotte, N.C. where they spent the night at Rhettia and Jim's home. On Sunday, Jan. 27, after enjoying a wonderful service at Crown Christian Center (Rhettia & Jim's church), Eric and Rhettia flew to San Francisco to visit Mrs. Crook's sister and brother in law, Irene and Tommy Thommen, and Mrs. Crook's niece, Sara Maher (formerly Sara Francis Clark, sister of Charles Clark).

On Monday, Jan. 28th, Sara, acted as tour guide and showed "Aunt Eric" the sights. Sara and Irene had five days planned, which included Fisherman's Wharf, a ride over the Golden Gate Bridge, a ride along the Pacific Ocean, a tour of Sausalito and Rhettia returned to Charlotte on Tuesday, Jan. 29, and to Elba on Jan. 30th.

It was a short but fun and exciting trip.

Deadline For Social News Is Monday!!

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Bishop Hancock To Speak At Elba United Methodist Church

Bishop C. W. Hancock, resident bishop of The Alabama-West Florida Episcopal Area, will be speaking at the Elba United Methodist Church Sunday Evening, February 10, at 7:00 p.m.

The public is invited to attend.



Bishop C.W. Hancock

Gospel Sing To Be Held At New Life Baptist Assembly

New Life Baptist Assembly of Alberton will have a Gospel Sing on Saturday night, February 9 at 7:00. Featured singers will be the New Life Gospel Singers and the Shiloh Singers. Everyone is invited.

Weekend Retreat To Be Held At Camp Victory

There will be a retreat at Camp Victory, Samson, Alabama, for grades 3 - 6 from February 22-24, 1991.

The cost for the weekend is \$15.00.

The retreat begins with supper on Friday night and ends with lunch on Sunday.

To register call: Camp Victory 205-898-7948.

200th Birthday Of Bill Of Rights

As we celebrate the 200th birthday of the Bill of Rights, the John Coffee Chapter National Society Daughters of the American Revolution would like to encourage all persons to read the Bill of Rights and reflect on the time and effort that went into the framing of this document.

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"Fortress Of Solitude"

In the movie Superman II, three evil foes had come to earth from the planet Krypton to conquer it. The plot built up to the point of a confrontation between Superman and the three evil foes. Round one seemed to be won by the three evil foes as Superman retreated to a place where he could gather his thoughts and plans. This place was his home away from home, it was the "Fortress Of Solitude!" It was a replica of the planet Krypton, a place where he could go in silence and find strength for his day to day battles.

In Mark 1:35 there is a short verse that tells us that Jesus too had a "Fortress Of Solitude!" It reads like this, "Very early in the morning while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed." (NIV) This action came on the heels of some busy activity. In the previous verses He had called some of his disciples, cast out a demon, healed Simon Peter's mother-in-law, and many others...and much more ministry lay just ahead in the coming days! Mark tells us that Jesus determined to get away to his home away from home for silence and prayer with his Father, in Jesus' view this was a must to continue the ministry He had started.

This last year and especially the last few weeks have been very busy and straining on most of the people in the Elba area. We have seen a town recover from a flood, businesses slowly start back and we are also a nation at war. These factors on top of our already busy schedules make for tough days. We need to take a lesson from Jesus when life gets too busy for us, we too need a "Fortress Of Solitude!" and this is more than just reading your daily bible reading. Mark is telling us to get away for hours at a time in silence and prayer with God to get a handle on things and to be ready to go on with the next week! As we again look at Jesus that is exactly what the "Fortress Of Solitude" enabled him to do. In Mark 1:38 as he got up and determined to continue to preach and minister.

If you did not see Superman II, some of you are wondering what was the outcome? Well some time well sent at the "Fortress Of Solitude" allowed him to defeat his three foes from Krypton and save the earth! But that was a movie, just fantasy, but we are dealing in real life with you and me...and if Jesus needed a "Fortress Of Solitude" to get away from the pressures of the world, how much more do we need one?

Card Of Thanks

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As the conflict in the Persian Gulf reached deeper into the hearts of Americans everywhere, we, the students at Elba High School, decided to show our love and support for our great nation. On Thursday, January 23, an assembly program, sponsored by the Senior Beta Club, was held in the lunchroom. Many talented students read poetry and sang anthems as we paid a tribute to those brave young men and women serving so diligently across the sea. A banner was placed in the lunchroom which had on it all the names of the soldiers from our immediate area serving in Operation Desert Storm. The program was both uplifting

Preferences and Why.....

by Ronald McKinnon and Juan Carpenter

Which sport would you prefer - football or basketball?

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*Football - you get to cuddle up in 20 weather.

*Basketball - hardly ever canceled because it is indoors.

*Football - get a chance to scream and yell at the players for getting the mess knocked out of them.

*Basketball - you can hear the cheerleaders better.

*Football - watch people eat nachos and cheese and hot dogs.

*Basketball - see whose team can dunk the most.

*Football - watch people do the "hammer" while the band performs.

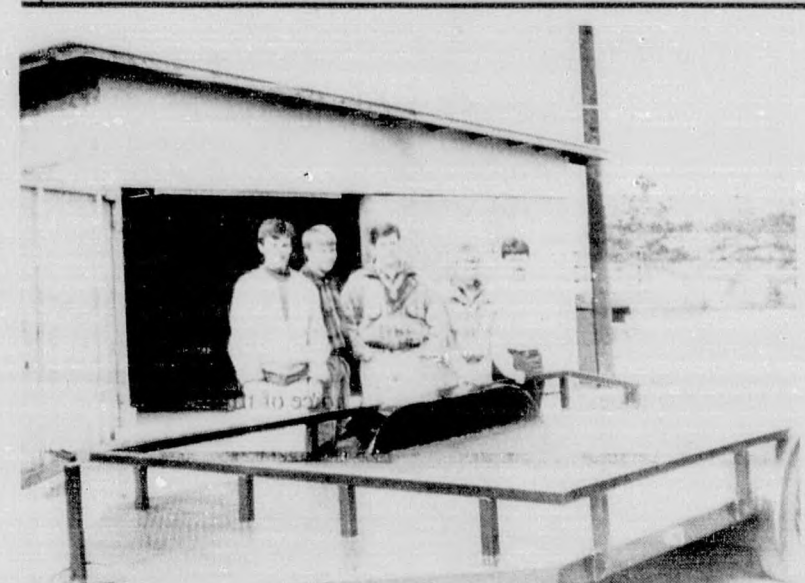
*Basketball - you can hear the coaches yelling at the referee.

*Football - officials raise both hands for a touchdown - 6 points.

*Basketball - officials raise both hands for 3 points.

After reading these statements, which do you prefer?

YOU MAKE THE CALL



Welding Class Builds Trailer

by Jim Goodson

The welding class of EHS has been very busy as of late. The class has been working diligently on a trailer for AID Training of Montgomery.

The trailer will be used by AID T for transporting their equipment throughout the state.

AID Training has played a major role in rebuilding our welding class here at EHS. AID T supplied all materials and equipment used in building the trailer.

AID T gives the welding class certain projects throughout the year and the trailer is one example. AID T also supplied the classroom/shop trailers for our welding classes.

We would like to thank AID T for the support they have given to EHS. Congratulations to Mr. Bruce Sasser, the welding instructor, and the welding classes for a job well done.

Interesting Facts

The first scheduled airplane passenger service in the world was between Tampa and St. Petersburg, Fla., in 1914, making regular flights 25 miles across Tampa Bay.

Lowest figure ever reached by the Dow-Jones stock average was on July 8, 1932 when it plunged to 41.22.

At the time of the Declaration of Independence, the population of New York City was only 21,000.

The first regular daily comic strip in America was "Mutt & Jeff".

Can you name the last 5 states to be admitted to the Union? They are Hawaii, Alaska, Arizona, New Mexico and Oklahoma.

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Subject: Flooding

by Kenya Hammond

Flooding was the subject of many conversations January 29 and 30. Rain and rising waters brought back many memories of the March 17, 1990 flood and the devastation it brought. The atmosphere was tense as everyone watched and waited anxiously to see if anything would happen. Rumors were circulating and everyone was talking about the rain in downtown Elba. The rain was mostly in humor but deep in many Elbians' hearts was a burning desire to know if history would repeat itself. However, many feelings of anticipation passed when they announced that school would be resumed on January 31. However, I think that anytime a lot of rain comes there will always be the thought of the flood of 1990.



Student Spotlight



Kanahesia Tyson is the 15 year old granddaughter of John and Francis Wade. Kanahesia plays the bass clarinet in the band. Kanahesia's hobbies include talking on the phone and hanging out with friends. She attends the Elba Zion Baptist Church. Her future plans are to study fashion design.

Cary Clark is the 14 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Clark. Cary is a Jr. Varsity Cheerleader. Her hobbies include cheerleading, gymnastics, and talking on the phone. She attends the Elba Methodist Church. Her future plans are to go to college.

Amy Driggers is the 16 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mickey Driggers. Amy is a Varsity Cheerleader. Her hobbies include reading, writing, and cheering. She attends Westside Baptist Church.

Tony Cooper is the 17 year old son of James and Corne Cooper. Tony is in the band and plays the baritone. Tony's hobbies include talking on the phone and hanging out with friends. Tony attends Mr. Calvary Baptist Church. His future plans are to go to college and become an engineer.

Elba City Schools' Menu

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Wednesday - Cereal & Toast, Juice, Milk.

Thursday - Cereal & Toast, Juice, Milk.

Friday - Cinnamon Toast, Juice or Fruit, Milk.

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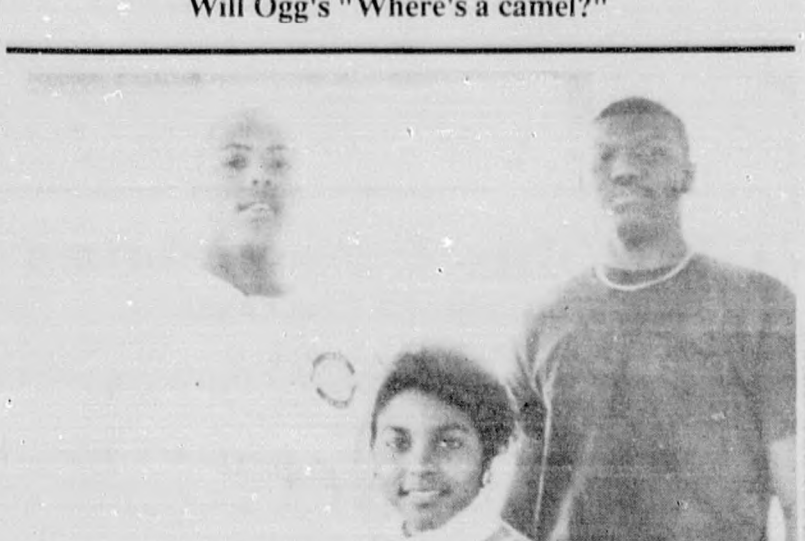
** America At War **

by Derek Stevens

As the month of January ends Operation Desert Storm is two weeks old. Allied aircraft have flown over 30,000 sorties, or missions, and have only lost 19 aircraft. This is astonishing. This proves that Iraq did not have much of an air defense system. On January 30, General Norman Schwarzkopf, called "Stormin' Norman", commander of the Allied Gulf Forces, declared air supremacy. This means that there is no threat to our aircraft from Iraq. Accomplishing air supremacy was the first objective in the war to liberate Kuwait.

As I am writing this editorial, some Iraqi soldiers have crossed the border into Saudi Arabia and attacked U.S. Marines. After an eight hour battle, the U.S. had 12 Marines KIA, killed in action, and 2 Marines WIA, wounded in action. The Iraqis had over 500 killed and hundreds wounded. The U.S. also took several P.O.W.'s. This is a sign that Saddam Hussein is playing his last card. He has no air force left, and only a few SCUD missiles left. Saddam knows that he has to do something before most of his troops are killed by the B-52 "carpet bombing" raids. To support the B-52 "carpet bombing", in 3 days, B-52s have dropped over 1 1/2 million tons of explosives on Saddam's Republican Guard. This massive attack is inflicting heavy casualties on Saddam's elite soldiers.

As a fan of military operations, I have read about and studied every war in which the U.S. has fought. Personally, I feel this war will not last much longer. I conclude this thought from the information I have read about "Stormin' Norman" and his brilliant military mind. It is said that the U.S. will suffer loss of lives, but there is a price to be paid for freedom. You may say that it is not freedom we are fighting for, but in a sense, we are. We are just fighting for it several years ahead of time. Saddam Hussein is a crazy madman. If we let him acquire nuclear capabilities, then we are in trouble. As Americans, we need to support President Bush and our troops. Those men and women in the Persian Gulf are risking their lives for everyone of us. Let's remember that. Don't be a prolester. Be a supporter! That's the way we see it this week!



Will Ogg's "Where's a camel?"

Seniors of the Week

by Anita Wallace

Juan Carpenter is a seventeen year old senior at Elba High School. He is a member of the Rocky Head Missionary Baptist Church. His achievements include Who's Who Among American High School Students and the State Championship. Juan is a member of the E Club, Elba Staff and FBLA. His hobbies include football, basketball and baseball. After graduation Juan plans to attend ESIC or Troy State University.

Kenya Hammond is seventeen years old and a member of the Abundant Life Church. She enjoys playing the clarinet and being around friends. Kenya is a member of FBLA, St. Beta Club, Elba Staff, SADD, Drama, and is president of the Band Council. After graduation she plans to attend ESIC and then transfer to Auburn University.

Curtis Smith is a seventeen year old senior at Elba High School. He is a member of Bethlehem Baptist Church and Bethlehem Junior Choir. His hobbies include playing football, basketball and listening to music. Curtis' achievements include Who's Who Among American High School Students and winning the State Championship. He is also a member of E Club, FBLA and Elba Staff. After graduation, he plans to attend college.

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Junior Class Happenings

Recruiter Visits

by Marsha Davis

Sergeant D.K. Rogers, Marine recruiter, visited Zion Chapel Friday, January 25, where he talked with the junior class about the importance of staying in school and the advantages of joining the Marines.

Sergeant Rogers began the discussion with a video which showed students exactly what the Marines are all about. Sergeant Rogers also told what he went through in basic training and reminded students that to be a Marine, a person should have good morals, as well as a high school diploma. Although a person could enter the Marines on higher than at age 18, a person could also enter the Marines at the age of 17 with a parent's signature.

After the video, students were allowed to ask questions. Sergeant Rogers stayed after the discussion to talk more to any students who were especially interested in the Marines.

Learning Thanatopsis

by Leann Hinoje

The junior class at Zion Chapel High School had to learn the last seven lines of the THANATOPSIS written by William Cullen Bryant.

Bryant was concerned with form and clarity. He wanted his poems to show the harmony that he saw in nature.

The lines the juniors had to learn talked about a life in harmony with nature, to enable acceptance of death as a restful sleep.

Bryant saw the relationship between man and nature as an immortal coexistence. He saw that in life, nature celebrates joy, soothes sorrow, and sustains fears, particularly that of death. He thinks that by living in harmony with nature, the people will begin to understand the things on the earth, accept death, and rejoice in immortality in nature.

Students all over the state of Alabama are having to learn these lines and what they're about.

Z.C. Celebrates Vo Ed Week

Zion Chapel's Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA), Future Homemakers of America (FHA), and the FFA are busy preparing for American Vocational Education Week. February 10-16 is the week set aside for this national celebration of the success of vocational education.

The FBLA purchased items to be given to its members and the faculty. Enough of the items were purchased to be used as recruitment materials for prospective vocational students. These items included booklets, buttons, decals, and pencils. The members will be given these items at the next monthly meeting of the FBLA. This meeting will be a special commemorative meeting celebrating

Celebrate FBLA Week: February 10-16

Future Business Leaders of America is an educational student organization that plays a vital role in a high school's educational program. FBLA members are planning for careers in the business world. Members are provided the opportunity to develop strong, aggressive leadership qualities and civic responsibilities through the activities and projects of the FBLA chapter.

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Zion Chapel Students Hold Patriotic Assembly

by Dena Grant

A patriotic assembly was held at Zion Chapel. The assembly was sponsored by the Zion Chapel Chapter of the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) and a musical program was provided by the Zion Chapel High School Concert Band.

The assembly opened with the band playing the National Anthem. The student body was then led in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America by Mrs. Rachel Bryan. Mrs. Bryan is the FBLA sponsor.

There were two reasons for the assembly being held. The first reason was to celebrate the two hundredth anniversary of the adoption of the Bill of Rights, the first ten amendments to the Constitution of the United States. The second reason was to demonstrate Zion Chapel's support for the United States troops now stationed in the Middle East taking part in the operation known as Desert Storm.

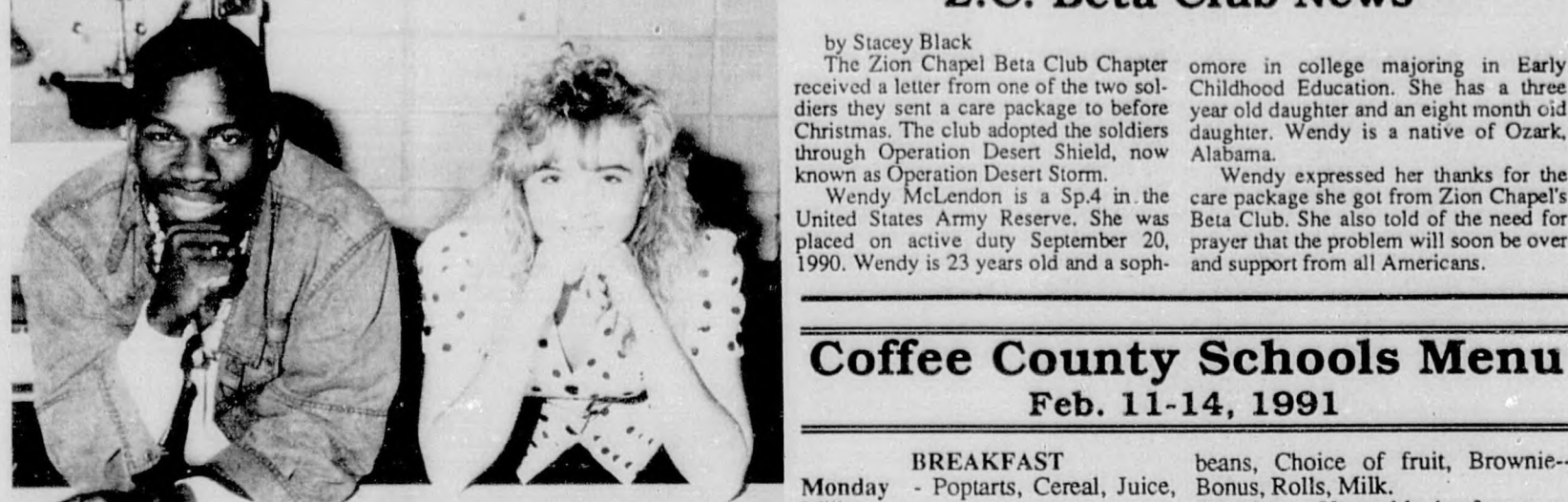
The program consisted of various members of the FBLA stating and explaining the first ten amendments to the Constitution. During the intervals between the reading of the amendments, the band played various patriotic songs. Some selections the band played were: America, America, My Country, My Country, This Land is Your Land, and America, America. The last piece was narrated by Derek Snellgrove. Derek Snellgrove also gave the "Four Freedoms" Address. This address states the four basic freedoms citizens of the United States are entitled to. This speech

was originally given by President Franklin Roosevelt on January 6, 1941, just eleven months before the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor. The Preamble to the Declaration of Independence and the Preamble to the Constitution of the United States of America were read by Derek.

The band also played "God Bless the USA". Radio reports tell us this is the most requested song of the American troops stationed in Operation Desert Storm. The assembly ended with the playing of "Stars and Stripes Forever".

Members of the FBLA worked for a week making over three hundred yellow ribbons to be worn by the Zion Chapel High School student body. These bows were distributed before the assembly began.

Students Work At McDonald's



by Denise Flowers

Jeffery Flowers, LaShonda Rodgers, and Pam Langley were recently hired by McDonald's in Troy, Alabama.

Jeffery Flowers is a senior at Zion Chapel. He is a member of the Varsity Football team, and is a member of the Beta Club, Student Government Association, Future Business Leaders of America, and the Science Club. Jeffery is looking forward to working at McDonald's and making his own money.

Pam Langley is a junior at Zion Chapel. She is a member of the Future Farmers of America, Beta Club, Science Club, Spanish Club, and Future Business Leaders of America. Pam is working at McDonald's on the weekends from 6 am to 1 pm. She is working in the drive thru window department. Pam says that she enjoys working at McDonald's and working there doesn't interfere with her school work.

LaShonda Rodgers is a junior at Zion Chapel. She is a member of the Varsity Cheerleader squad, the Student Government Association, Future Business Leaders of America, Science Club, Spanish Club, and a third year starter for the girls' soft ball team. LaShonda says that she will be a great opportunity to learn about earning her own income. She looks forward to working at McDonald's.

The work experience for these three students and other like them can be a valuable learning experience for the future.

Pictured are Jeffery Flowers and Pam Langley (LaShonda Rodgers not pictured).

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Views From

THE PRESSBOX

By Ricky Mularz

Melanie turned two-years-old Monday and I don't care what anybody says, it's just as hard to buy a present for a two-year-old as it is for a teenager. It may be true that the teenager may gripe more about not getting the right gift; however, with a two-year-old you don't know if they like it or not and you've got to satisfy Mom as well as the birthday girl. Maybe age three will be easier, but I doubt it!

ELBA TIGERS ARE STILL PILING UP THE WINS

The Elba Tigers upped their record to 14-4 last week with wins over Enterprise and Opp, and while the two wins came in very different ways, they both counted and kept the Tigers headed in the right direction with the Area tourney just around the corner.

In the win over 6A Enterprise the Tigers played what Coach Kennedy called their "best game in nine years." Elba jumped ahead of the talented Wildcats early and held on against a late challenge to defeat the arch-rivals for the second straight time. The Tigers played as hard as they could all 32 minutes on both offense and defense and in the end fought off exhaustion to hold on and claim the win. If Elba can maintain the level of intensity it displayed against Enterprise for the rest of the season, the season may be a long way from being over.

In the win over Opp, Elba played perhaps its worst half of the season, offensively, yet the defense kept the Tigers in the game and then sparked the comeback in the second half that led to the Elba win. In the opening two quarters Elba scored only 20 points and hit less than twenty-five percent from the floor and the foul line. The second half started like the first, but the defense came up with some steals that changed the momentum of the game and from there on the Tigers caught fire and ran away with the win. Elba's Bennie Daniels was outstanding in both games as he scored 37 points against Enterprise and then added 31 against Opp. Daniels does shoot more than a lot of high school players, but it is because that is his role on the team, as well as the fact that he can shoot the lights out. While Daniels does provide much of the offensive punch, the Tigers are by no means a one-man team. Elba plays team defense in every sense of the word and works together on offense as well as any team around. The Tigers are a basketball machine - Daniels is simply the fuel that makes it go!

COUNTY TEAMS ENJOY ANOTHER GOOD WEEK

The teams around the county had another good week on the hardwoods as all three teams tasted the victory column at least once, while Zion Chapel and New Brockton both made it to the winners circle twice. Here's a quick look back at a very good week...

NEW BROCKTON posted wins over Straughn and Zion Chapel and battled Enterprise tooth and nail before falling late in the game. The Gamecocks found themselves being written off for dead a couple of weeks ago, but have now developed a personality and have turned into a solid 2A club. Don't count 'em out!

ZION CHAPEL lost to New Brockton, but also claimed upset wins over Daleville and Arton and was finally coming around. The Rebels found heroes in both wins as last-second shots proved to be the difference. Zion Chapel has more than enough talent to win in the 1A ranks and it looks like the players are finally realizing it.

KINSTON lost one and won one, but again showed a consistency that was lacking earlier in the year. The Bulldogs know what they have to do to win and are willing to do their best to reach that level. The Bulldogs may not have the best record around, but they are plenty dangerous!

RECRUITING TIME BRINGS INTERESTING FACTS

All true high school and college football fans have been busy since the season ended checking out recruiting services to find out just who is going to go where. One of the most widely talked about stats centers around the SAT and ACT scores of the high school players. I'll admit that the tests aren't easy, but when you can answer just 15 questions correctly out of 145 and make the grade (700) on the SAT, and get 400 points for simply singing their name, you've got to wonder?

Softball meetings set for Feb. 25 at Elba City Hall

The Elba Department of Parks and Recreation will hold organizational meetings on Monday, February 25, at City Hall, for all teams wishing to join softball leagues.

The meetings will be scheduled at the following times:

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Church League - 7:00
Men's League - 7:30

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Sports

Tigers up record to 14-4

Elba tames Enterprise 88-82

The Elba Tigers continued their winning ways Tuesday night with an impressive 88-82 win over the 6A Enterprise Wildcats, at the Wildcats' home court.

The win upped the Tigers' record to 13-4, while Enterprise slipped to 11-9 with the loss.

The Tigers came out ready to run and behind the shooting of Bennie Daniels surprised the Wildcats by jumping out to a quick 18-10 lead.

Enterprise settled down late in the stanza; however, and caught the Tigers at 19-19 by the end of the stanza, only to see Elba catch fire early in the second stanza and pull out to a 40-28 advantage on a jumper by Ronald McKinnon and a layup by Bennie Daniels.

Enterprise refused to quit and battled the Tigers up and down the court with an aggressive full-court press, but Elba handled the pressure without missing a beat and at the half went in with a 46-37 lead.

Enterprise began to cut into the Elba lead in the third quarter and shortened the lead to 54-49; however, the Tigers again met the challenge and by the end of the quarter had pulled back out to a comfortable 64-53 advantage.

The Tigers built their lead to 73-56 with 5:50 left in the game and appeared to have the win in the bag, only to see the Wildcats score six quick points to cut the lead to 73-62.

While the Tigers began to struggle at the free-throw line, the Wildcats began to light it up from the outside and got back in the game by pulling within 77-71.

Elba owned a 81-76 lead with 2:23 left on the clock, but saw the Cats chop the lead to 83-80 with 34 left and all of the sudden it was any-

body's game! The Tigers finally hit some free-throws in the closing minute and held on for the impressive 88-82 win.

Bennie Daniels scored 37 points to lead Elba, while Ronald McKinnon added 18 and Dee Miller scored 13. George Scott and Allen Sconiers both scored 23 points for Enterprise, while Mike Coleman scored 19 points and grabbed 18 rebounds.

EL 19 27 18 24 - 88
EN 19 18 16 29 - 82

Elba (88): Daniels 37, N. Whitfield 4, Miller 13, Goosby 6, McKinnon 18, Jones 4, Magwood 4.

Enterprise (82): Garb 2, Baldwin 3, Clark 4, Lane 2, Scott 23, Andrews 4, Sconiers 23, Coleman 19, Nichols 2.

(B Game)

The Elba B team saw its record dip 4-5 when it fell to Enterprise 80-59.

The Tigers handed the Wildcats their only loss of the season earlier in the year, but fell behind 25-7 in the first quarter and never caught up to take the loss.

Greg Thigpen and Dion Belcher both scored 12 points for Elba, while Marcus Tyson added 11. Matt Sauer scored 16 for Enterprise and Wally Bruce added 12.

Enterprise (80): Smith 9, Caylor 10, Morgan 8, Moxon 2, Collins 2, Mitchell 7, Davis 10, Faulk 4, Bruce 12, Sauer 16.

Elba (59): Goodson 2, Tyson 11, R. Thigpen 6, Belcher 12, G. Thigpen 12, Donaldson 6, McMillan 8.

Tigers rally in second half to drop Opp 66-53

The Elba Tigers staged a furious second half rally Friday night to post a hardfought 66-53 win over the Opp Bobcats, at ESJC.

The win upped Elba's record to 14-4, while Opp fell to 10-10 with the loss.

The Bobcats jumped out to a quick 10-4 lead over the cold shooting Tigers and had things their own way throughout the opening stanza as they carried an 18-10 lead into the second quarter.

The Bobcats' lead went to 20-10 at the start of the quarter and Opp took its biggest lead of the night at 22-11 with 4:31 left in the half as Elba could do little right at either

end of the court!

Bennie Daniels three-point shot with 4:21 left cut the lead to 22-14, and when Daniels hit a free-throw with 1:17 left the Tigers were within 26-20.

The rally proved to be short-lived; however, as Opp regained command late and owned a 30-20 advantage at the half.

The Tigers looked like a different team when they came back out for the third quarter and behind the shooting of Bennie Daniels and a suffocating defense, outscored Opp 10-0 to open the quarter and caught the Bobcats at 30-20 with 6:27 still left in the stanza!

Opp regained its lead at 37-33 with 5:21 left in the quarter, but Elba went ahead for the first time at 38-37 with 3:41 left on a three-point shot by Bennie Daniels and by the end of the quarter the Tigers were on top 43-40.

Bennie Daniels hit back-to-back three-pointers early in the fourth quarter to extend a 44-43 lead into a 50-43 bulge and the Tigers simply ran away from there to post the 66-53 win.

Bennie Daniels scored 31 points to lead Elba, while Aaron Hightower scored 17 for Opp and Reggie Hightower added 16.

E 10 10 23 23 - 66
O 18 12 10 13 - 53

Elba (66): Daniels 31, Dawkins 2, Miller 6, Goosby 7, McKinnon 7, Jones 9, Magwood 4.

Opp (53): Rogers 10, R. Hightower 16, A. Hightower 17, Ramer 12, Hinton 4, Ware 4.

(B Game)

The Elba B team evened its record at 5-5 Friday night with an exciting 41-36 win over Opp.

The Tigers fell behind early and still trailed 30-21 heading into the

fourth quarter, only to outscore Opp 20-6 in the final stanza to claim the win.

Marcus Tyson scored 14 points to lead Elba, while Dion Belcher added 12. Willie Edwards scored 18 for Opp.

Elba (41): Tyson 14, R. Thigpen 2, Belcher 12, G. Thigpen 2, Donaldson 6, McMillan 8.

Opp (36): Edwards 18, L. Edwards 4, Dolphin 3, Rogers 4, Nelson 5, Thompson 2.

Pistons grab 12 & Under lead

The Pistons knocked off the Nets 27-23 Saturday to claim sole possession of first place in the Youth Basketball League's 12 & Under Division.

The Pistons lead the league with a perfect 3-0 record, followed by the Nets 2-1, Bucks 1-2 and Lakers 0-3.

Following are highlights of last week's action:

BUCKS 29
LAKERS 19
The Bucks pulled away in the second half to whip the Lakers 29-19. The Bucks held a slim 14-12 lead at the half, but broke loose late to take the win.

Scoring for the Bucks were Sterling Jones 7, Todd Hooks 6, Derrick Daniels 6, Nicky Semonelle 4, Marcus Siler 4 and Tillis 2. Scoring for the Lakers were Marcus Tillis 6, Wayne Duncan 5, Jody Johnson 2, Rudy Free 2, Troy Bryan 2 and Trace Bryant 2.

PISTONS 27
NETS 23
The Pistons pulled ahead early and held on to nip the Nets 27-23. The Pistons grabbed a 9-5 first quarter lead and never trailed to take the win.

Scoring for the Pistons were LeRay Smedley 8, Neil Tillis 6, Derrick Jones 5, Doug Grimes 4, Paul Marsh 2 and Jamie Holley 2. Scoring for the Nets were Undra Chism 13, Dundry Peterson 6, Trent Calhoun 2 and Griffin Shirley 2.

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BASKETBALL HIGHLIGHTS

New Brockton holds off Straughn 74-72

The New Brockton Gamecocks led all the way to edge the Straughn Tigers 74-72, Tuesday night at New Brockton.

The Gamecocks, which improved to 10-3 with the win, jumped out to a quick 24-14 lead, only to see the lead slip to 34-31 by the end of the half. New Brockton took command in the second half and led 74-64 with less than a minute left in the game, only to have to turn back a late Tiger rally to post the win.

Chris Lasseter scored 30 points to lead New Brockton, while Eric Edwards added 20 and William Moguel scored 15. Charlie Coon scored 22 points to lead Straughn and Derrick Jackson added 20.

Zion Chapel scores late to stun Daleville 60-59

Zion Chapel's Jeffery Flowers scored with 17 left to lift the Rebels to a stunning 60-59 win over the 4A Daleville Warhawks. The Rebels fell behind early and found themselves trailing 33-25 at the half, but rallied in the second half and pulled out the win!

Tyneris Smith scored 18 points to lead Zion Chapel, while Jeremy Law added 14 and Dymoris Smith 12. Shon Johnson scored 22 for Daleville and Derrick Don added 15.

Kinston Bulldogs fall to high-powered Opp 74-58

The Kinston Bulldogs found the going a bit too tough Tuesday night as the Opp Bobcats came to town and left with a big 74-58 win. Kinston and Roger Smith scored 19 points for Kinston and Jeff Sutherland added 10, while Opp was paced by Cedric Rogers with 19 and Aaron Hightower with 13.

Gamecocks coast past Zion Chapel 73-62

New Brockton jumped out to a big lead in the first half and never looked back to dump the Zion Chapel Rebels 73-62, Thursday night at New Brockton.

The Gamecocks jumped ahead 22-11 by the end of the opening stanza, stretched the lead to 42-26 at the half and owned a whopping 56-36 lead going into the final stanza, before cruising to the win.

Chris Lasseter scored 28 points to lead New Brockton, while Eric Edwards added 15 and Mike Smith added 14.

Gamecocks fall to 6A Enterprise Wildcats 76-61

The New Brockton Gamecocks saw Enterprise pull away late as the 6A Wildcats posted a 76-61 win, at the Enterprise gym.

The Gamecocks fell behind 22-11 after one quarter, but rallied to cut the lead to 32-26 by the end of the half and battled the Wildcats on even terms until late, when Enterprise pulled away with the win.

William Moguel scored 21 for New Brockton, while Chris Lasseter added 17, Eric Edwards 12 and Mike Smith 11. George Scott scored 24 to lead Enterprise and Reid Clark added 12.

Rebs knock off Arton 54-52 with buzzer beater

Zion Chapel's Dymoris Smith hit a short jumper at the buzzer to lift the Zion Chapel Rebels to a thrilling 54-52 win over the Arton Purple Cats, Friday at Zion Chapel.

Arton had scored with just :06 left to pull into a 52-52 tie; however, Jeffery Flowers drove the length of the court and dishd off to Smith, who drove the baseline and hit the game winner.

Tyneris Smith scored 16 points to lead Zion Chapel, while Dymoris Smith added 12. Adam Thomas scored 22 for Arton and Josh Herring added 21.

Kinston coasts past Bayside Academy 75-54

The Kinston Bulldogs proved to be anything but friendly hosts to their visitors from Mobile Friday night as they blasted Bayside Academy 75-54.

The Bulldogs led all the way to snap a losing streak and claim the big win. Michael Wood and Jeff Sutherland both scored 14 points to lead Kinston, while Roger Smith added 11. Ken Sanders scored 17 for Bayside.

ELBA TIGER BASKETBALL

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Elba Junior High to compete this weekend at state

The Alabama Junior High State Invitational Basketball Tournament will be held this weekend at Carver High School, in Montgomery, and among the eight teams competing for the title of state champions will be the undefeated Elba Junior High Tigers.

The annual event is sponsored by the Montgomery Department of Parks and Recreation and features teams from across the state.

The top-seeded team in this year's event is McIntyre, the Montgomery city champ, while Elba, with a record of 14-0, is seeded second in the eight-team event, ahead of third-seeded Opelika and fourth-seeded Brewster, also of Montgomery.

"A lot of folks think we're biting off more than we can chew," said Elba's Coach Frank Phillips, "but the players are all looking forward to the trip to Montgomery and we are going up there to win it all!"

"For a team from a town the size of Elba to even be invited is quite an accomplishment," stated Phillips, "and we are honored to be included among the best teams in the state. If we play like we can we should be able to compete against anyone, and if we don't, we don't deserve to win."

We have got the players to play with any team anywhere and I just hope we play like we can and show the people from Montgomery and across the state what kind of team we've got."

The tournament will begin Friday afternoon at 3:30 when Elba and Cloverdale meet in a Montgomery shootout, while at 5:00 it will be Opelika's turn to play against the Bellingham, the runnerup in the Montgomery city tournament. Elba will swing into action at 6:30 against Selma Junior High and at 8:00 it will be McIntyre against Hayneville Central.

The semifinals will be Saturday at 10:30 and 12:00, with the consolation game at 5:30 and the championship contest at 7:00.

Admission to the game will be \$2 adults and \$1 students.

Celtics move atop 10 & Under league

The Celtics moved atop the standings in the Youth Basketball League 10 & Under Division last week with a narrow win over the Hawks.

The Celtics lead the league with a 3-0 state, followed by the Hawks 2-1, Spurs 1-2 and Bulls 0-3.

Following are highlights of last week's action:

SPURS 18
BULLS 13
The Spurs rallied in the final stanza to defeat the Bulls 18-13. The Bulls was tied at 11-11 after three quarters, but the Spurs rallied late to take the win.

Scoring for the Spurs were Garrett Boutwell 7, Aaron Brooks 4, Mark Wicker 3, Doug Rainer 2 and Pete Manning 2. Scoring for the Bulls were Eric Jordan 11 and Jeremy Cook 2.

CELTICS 9 HAWKS 7

The Celtics pulled ahead early and scored in overtime to nip the Hawks 9-7. The Celtics grabbed an early 5-1 lead and led 7-3 at the half, but didn't score again until overtime to claim the win.

Scoring for the Celtics were Bruce Cole 6, Joe Fuller 2 and Joshua Hedge 1. Scoring for the Hawks were Derrick Thigpen 4 and Jep Dubose 3.

YOUTH BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, FEB. 9

8:30 - LAKERS VS. NETS

9:30 - PISTONS VS. BUCKS

10:30 - BULLS VS. CELTICS

11:30 - HAWKS VS. SPURS

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Coffee County Peanut Production Meeting To Be Held

Richard Petcher - Assistant County Agent

PEANUT PRODUCTION MEETING

We are having our 1991 Coffee County Peanut Production Meeting Monday, February 11, at 6:00 p.m. at the Farm Center in New Brockton. The speakers and topics will be:

1. Richard Collins - Peanut Insurance
2. John Everett - Weed Control
3. Ted Tyson - Irrigation
4. Ron Weeks - Controlling Peanut Insects with Economics and Environment in Mind
5. Dallas Hartung - Peanuts for Profit

This will be an excellent meeting and a good opportunity for both growers and people in the industry. A barbecue dinner will be served. ALABAMA PEANUT PRODUCERS ASSOCIATION The Alabama Peanut Producers Association annual meeting will be Friday, February 8, starting at 9:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. It will be held at the Houston County Farm Center in Dothan.

The program consists of Senator Richard Shelby outlining the 1991 congressional agenda. Commission-

er A.W. Todd will discuss the Alabama Department of Agriculture and Industries in the '90s. Roger Knapp, Director of Commodity Purchasing with Best Foods/CPC International, will give manufacturers' view on the peanut market in the '90s. Paul Blankenship, Agricultural Engineer USDA Peanut Lab will discuss the proposed chemical testing for improved quality and the benefits for every segment of the industry. Dallas Hartung, Peanut Specialist Auburn Agricultural Experiment Station, will give a peanut research update. Mitch Head, Executive Director of the Peanut Advisory Board, will discuss peanut promotions. There will be door prizes including a Browning shotgun and seed. A barbecue lunch will be served. After the meeting, there will be a short business meeting of the Alabama Peanut Producers Association and the Peanut PAC of Alabama.

FERTILIZING WINTER WHEAT AND OATS

Our winter wheat and oats look good this year. February 1-15 is the appropriate time to spring fertilize this crop in Coffee County. As a general rule of thumb, these green crops need 60-80 units of Nitrogen at this stage. Research has shown that there is no advantage to split applications in the spring in this area. You will also want to add 20 units of sulfur in the sulfate form. Last year we saw a lot of sulfur deficiencies in our small grains late in the spring. So especially on your sandy soils, you need to add 20 units of sulfur. Considering all of the rain we have had, the sulfur will leach through the sand but will attach itself to the clay layer.

I have not seen too much of a problem with the Hessian fly, but no one knows for sure how great a pressure they may present later this spring.

HOME, FARM AND GARDEN SHOW

There is a group of dedicated people that I would like to commend. The Home, Farm and Garden Show Steering Committee has worked faithfully and diligently to put together an outstanding Home, Farm and Garden Show.

The members of this committee are Ricky Hutto, Richard Dowling, Fox Fleming, Donna Dowling, Larry Johnson, Ricky Wilkes, Betty Godwin, Allen Thrash, Andy Shelton, Wallace Goodman, Rex Crawford, Doug Holderfield, Fred Grace, Howard Quantelbaum, Billy Egerton, Kathy Sauer, Al Miller, Jean Kenney, Ferrin Cox, Jay and Amanda Beckwith, and Mac Moore.

AGRICULTURAL INPUTS There is great uncertainty in the economy today. Fluctuating oil prices, a troubled real estate sector, a growing government deficit, and the war in the Middle East are all contributing to public unease and the possibility of recession. Given this situation, the outlook is for limited growth in the farm economy but resulting in slightly lower net farm incomes in 1991.

Cash receipts for crops are expected to increase in 1991, while steadily livestock receipts are anticipated to decline. Reduced deficit Government payments and higher production expenses will overshadow the rise in cash receipts, resulting in net cash income below the record 1990 level. Net farm income is expected to decline.

Agricultural inputs are a diverse topic encompassing land, seeds, fertilizers, pesticides, farm machinery, repairs, feeds, labor, employment taxes, credit, livestock, animal health products, energy, water, farm structures, trucks, and a host of other goods and services purchased by farmers.

The outlook for farm inputs consumption and expenditure in 1991 will be heavily influenced by the recent rise in energy prices and expected increase in row crop acreage. U.S. farmers are expected to spend between \$127 and \$133 billion in 1991 for agricultural inputs, representing a 3-6 percent increase from the estimated 1990 level. Even if 1991 planted acreage remains near 1990 levels, higher manufactured input prices will push aggregate input expenses above 1990 levels. Much of the farm expenditure increase in 1991 is related directly or indirectly to the rise in energy prices throughout the country.

Petroleum prices dropped almost continuously between 1982 and 1986. Since 1986, crude oil prices were relatively stable through mid-1990. If the world price of crude oil averages \$30 per barrel in 1991, compared with earlier expectations of \$21, then farm energy expenses will likely rise by 10 to 15 percent.

Higher prices for most purchased inputs will require application of effective cost control measures.

News With Sandra Coffey

County Agent

SHIPMENTS

Kenneth Hall, National Program Leader, Food Science, Washington, D.C., has asked the Extension Service to please disseminate the following information to the public: Mail to Armed Forces in Saudi Arabia should be restricted to only letters and audio/video cassettes. Shipment of food of any form should be suspended. This is a voluntary restriction of shipments to Saudi Arabia.

All packages entering Saudi Arabia are being monitored, and the monitoring is delaying shipments 10 days to 2 weeks. If you add that delay to the already 14 to 30 day transit time, it could take six weeks for packages to reach their destination. At this time we encourage you not to send anything other than letters and tapes.

As you know, damage in shipment and monitoring can affect food safety of products, and at this time we are being assured that our men have ample food - perhaps not what they most desire but certainly nourishing food.

At this time, there is no formal post office restriction for packages. However, we encourage you to support this effort by spreading this message to families and friends of our service people in Saudi Arabia.

"Nobody ever listens to me," is a common complaint that most parents have heard at some time or other. Here are some suggestions to help you be a better listener.

Listen with your eyes and body as well as your ears. A sullen face, an unresponsive back, an encouraging smile or touch of the hand are as real as words.

Put yourself in your child's place.

Try to imagine how he or she is feeling and what it is he or she wants you to know.

Be patient. Let your child have time to finish what he or she is saying without finishing sentences or trying to solve the problem. You learn the real problem is not the first thing said.

Check with your child to make sure you really understand his or her thoughts and feelings with questions such as "Do you mean?" Tell me if I've heard you right."

Your efforts will be rewarded by having your child talk to you about the things that are important to him or her, knowing that you are going to really listen.

Red Cross Drive To Be Held At ESJC

A Red Cross Blood Drive will be held at the Enterprise State Junior College Student Center on Wednesday, February 20 from 8:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. The event is being sponsored by Phi Theta Kappa and the Student Government Association. With the conflict in the Persian Gulf, the need to maintain an adequate supply of blood is critical. All area residents are urged to participate. Call the Dean of Students' Office for details 393-ESJC, ext. 235.

The city honoring the troops who are fighting in the war is being prepared. Mayor Fred Moore told the council. The City is still collecting names for this board. Families with relatives in the war zone can get a name added by calling city hall. When it is completed, family members will be invited to join city officials for a group picture that will be forwarded to all military personnel listed on the sign, along with an official letter of thanks from the City of Elba.

Moore told the council that a new recycling plan will be submitted to the state by the end of the month. He noted state officials had turned down

the county-wide plan submitted several weeks ago.

Cecelia Meeks, representing Southeast Alabama Regional Planning and Development, reported to the council on the projects the organization had completed for Elba and surrounding towns during the past year. She also had some suggestions for a successful recycling project.

Police Chief Freddie Hanchey told the council that Elba police had responded to 340 complaints since his last report a month ago. This included 12 traffic accidents, 40 traffic citations, including two for DUI, and 14 criminal arrests.

During this same period of time the animal control officer has impounded 26 dogs. Six of these were sold and three returned to their owners.

Hanchey took time to voice a word of praise for officer Donnie Byrd who has been working with the drug task force. The chief noted that

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